



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Kenji OHKUMA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/893,785

GAU: 2137

FILED: June 29, 2001

EXAMINER: Davis, Z. A.

FOR: ENCRYPTION APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND DECRYPTION APPARATUS AND METHOD  
BASED ON BLOCK ENCRYPTION

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

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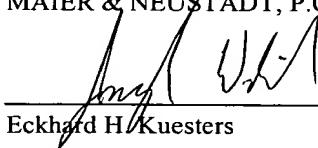
It is hereby requested that a **three** month extension of time be granted to January 14, 2007 for

- filing a response to the Official Action dated: July 14, 2006
- responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
- responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due has been filed.
- filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of \$1,020.00 is enclosed herewith by credit card payment and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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